MEDIA ADVISORY



Today's Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2016

District: District 6 – Fresno, Kings, Madera, Kern and Tulare

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STATE ROUTE 180 OFFICIAL SCENIC HIGHWAY DEDICATION CEREMONY

WHEN: Tomorrow, Thursday, April 28th, 2016, at 10:30 A.M.

WHERE: Bear Mountain Library, 30733 E. Kings Canyon Road (SR 180)

Squaw Valley, CA

In October 2015, State Route 180 in Fresno and Tulare County became California's most recent and 58th Officially Designated State Scenic Highway in almost a decade.

The Designated Scenic portion of the route begins in eastern Fresno County at the Alta Main Canal near Minkler to near the General Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park, and begins again when the route exits the park, and ends at the Cedar Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park. The Designated Scenic portion covers a total of 58 miles (including approximately two miles in Tulare County), and is the 2nd longest scenic route in California, surpassed only by the 1st California Designated Scenic Highway in 1965, State Route 1 along California's Central Coast.

Speakers will include: Sharri Bender Ehlert, Caltrans District Director; Supervisor Debbie Poochigian, Fresno County Board of Supervisors; Woody Smeck, Superintendent, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks; BJ Spitze, President, Sierra Gateway Trust, Inc.; and Tony Boren, Executive Director, Fresno Council of Governments.



